



MATHEMATICS 201-BNK-05

Advanced Calculus

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VI – Limits and Continuity

1. Evaluate the following limits.

a) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,1)} (3x^2y - 4x + 3xy^3)$

b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^4 - y^4}{x^2 + y^2}$

c) $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (3,-1,2)} e^{x-2y} \cos \frac{\pi}{2z}$

2. Evaluate the limit of $f(x, y) = \frac{3xy^3}{x^4 + 2y^4}$ as (x, y) approaches $(0, 0)$ from

a) the x -axis

b) the y -axis

c) the line $y = mx$ where $m \neq 0$

d) the parabola $y = kx^2$

3. Find the limit, and, if it exists prove it using the definition, and, if not, show that the limit does not exist.

a) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{5xy^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

b) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,1)} (4x + 3y)$

c) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{3x^2y^4}{(x^2 + y^4)^3}$

d) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{2x^5 + y^6 + y^4}{x^4 + y^4}$

e) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + 2} = 0$

f) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

g) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2y + y^3}{x^3 + 3y^3}$

h) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}$

i) $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (3,-1,2)} (2x + 4y - 7z)$

j) $\lim_{(x,y,z) \rightarrow (0,0,0)} \frac{xy + yz + xz}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

4. Prove that $f(x, y) = x^2 + 4y^2$ is continuous at $(0, 0)$ using the formal definition for continuity.

5. Prove that $f(x, y, z) = 5x - 4y^2 + z^4 + 2$ is continuous at $(3, -4, 2)$ using the formal definition for continuity.

6. Is the function $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} yx^3 + \frac{x^3}{y} + \frac{x^3}{y^2} & y \neq 0 \\ 0 & y = 0 \end{cases}$ continuous at $y = 0$? Support your answer.

7. For each of the following functions, (i) sketch a diagram showing the domain of each function in the xy plane, (ii) specify which points of the domain are interior points, and (iii) determine those interior points of the domain – if any – at which the function is discontinuous.

a) $f(x, y) = \sqrt{xy}$

b) $f(x, y) = \frac{2y+1}{x-1}$

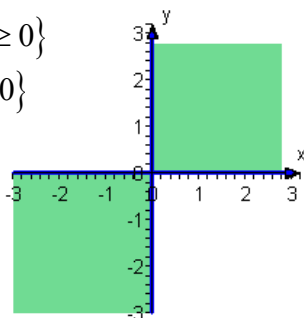
c) $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y}{x-y} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$

d) $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 & x^2 + y^2 \geq 9 \\ 0 & x^2 + y^2 < 9 \end{cases}$

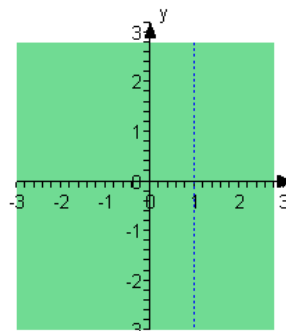
ANSWERS

1. a) 10 b) 0 c) $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}e^5$
 2. a) 0 b) 0 c) $\frac{3m^3}{1+2m^4}$ d) 0
 3. a) 0 b) 11 c) $\cancel{\exists}$ d) $\cancel{\exists}$ e) 0 f) $\cancel{\exists}$
 g) $\cancel{\exists}$ h) 0 i) -12 j) $\cancel{\exists}$
 6. No since $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) \cancel{\exists}$

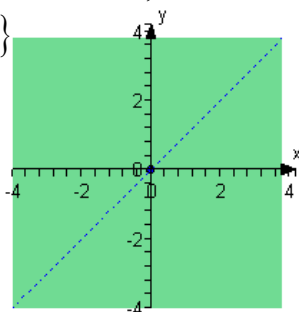
7. a) Dom: $\{(x, y) \mid xy \geq 0\}$
 I.P.: $\{(x, y) \mid xy > 0\}$
 Cont. on all I.P.



- b) Dom: $\{(x, y) \mid x \neq 1\}$
 I.P.: $\{(x, y) \mid x \neq 1\}$
 Cont. on all I.P.



- c) Dom: $\{(x, y) \mid x \neq y \text{ and } x \neq 0\}$
 I.P.: $\{(x, y) \mid x \neq y\}$
 Cont on all I.P.



- d) Domain: \mathbb{R}^2 I.P.: \mathbb{R}^2
 Cont. on $\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 \neq 9\}$, that is,
 discontin. on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 9$

